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NEWS ALERT:

Maryland's Appliance Rebate Program Set to Launch on April 22nd, Earth Day

Building on Governor Martin O'Malley's [EmPOWER Maryland](#) program, the Maryland Appliance Rebate Program will begin on April 22, 2010. This program is made possible by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), in partnership with Maryland's electric utility service providers. Purchases made before this date will not qualify for the ARRA-funded rebate.

[Click here for MEA's FAQ sheet for commonly asked questions](#)

[Click here for charts that detail available rebates by each electric utility service provider.](#)

How do I get an appliance rebate?

If you are a customer of BGE, Allegheny Power, Pepco, SMECO, or Delmarva Power, you can get an appliance rebate through your utility right now. These are mail-in rebates, which means you can purchase the appliance, fill out a form with the proper documentation, and get a check in the mail. Programs vary by utility.

The Maryland Appliance Rebate Program will layer federal funding on top of the utility rebate programs, to provide consumers with ADDITIONAL rebates on other products. You will be able to take advantage of both the utility appliance rebate and the Maryland appliance rebate at the same time STARTING ON APRIL 22, 2010. All rebates will be processed through your electric utility provider, and rebates are not retroactive.

For more information on the utility programs, visit their websites:

[Allegheny Power](#)

[BGE](#)

[Delmarva](#)

[Pepco](#)

[SMECO](#)

Applications for the Maryland Appliance Rebate Program will be available through your electric utility provider beginning on April 22, 2010.

**What if I'm not a customer of one of those five utilities?**

MEA will be running a simplified rebate program for customers of municipal and cooperative utilities. Look for marketing information on the MEA website or with your utility bills sometime in upcoming months for more information.

To find out about EmPOWER Maryland, our goal of reducing energy consumption Statewide 15% by 2015, click [here](#).

For additional information, contact the Maryland Energy Administration at 410-260-7655, and for the full FAQ sheet, [click here](#).

[The Maryland Energy Administration](#) offers a wide variety of resources, strategies and information to help you reduce your energy consumption, increase your understanding of alternative energy, and ultimately help [EmPower](#) fellow Marylanders to take control of our energy future. For more detailed information, please bookmark MEA's website: <http://www.energy.maryland.gov>